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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/921,994
Title: *Novel EBI-3-ALT Protein and Nucleic Acid
Molecules and Uses Therefor*
Inventor: Michael R. Bowman
Filed: August 3, 2001
Attorney Docket No.: GIN-5381

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith for filing in the above-identified application the following:

1. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (*in duplicate*);
2. Executed Declaration, Petition and Power of Attorney (6 pages);
3. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-provisional Application;
4. Check in the amount of \$974.00 (consisting of \$134.00 extra claims fee, \$710.00 application filing fee and \$130.00 surcharge/late filing fee); and
5. Acknowledgment postcard.

Please charge any deficiencies associated with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080. The undersigned requests any extensions of time necessary to respond. *A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.*

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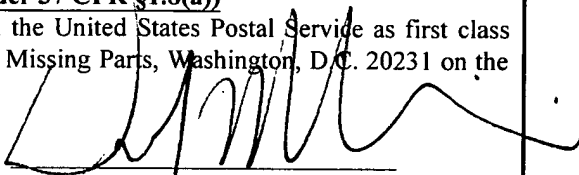
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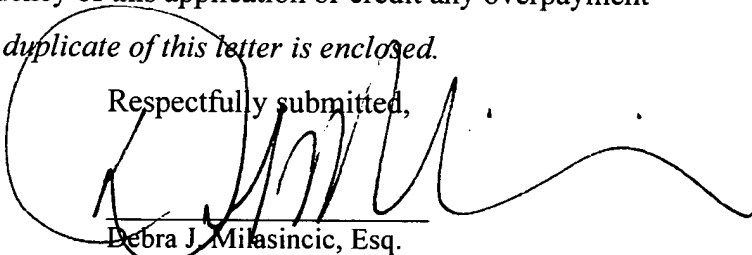
RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated October 19, 2001, Applicant's attorney submits herewith an executed Declaration, Petition and Powers of Attorney for Patent Application for the above-identified patent application. A check in the amount of \$974.00 is enclosed to cover the total amount owed by Applicant including \$130.00 surcharge, \$710.00 basic filing fee, \$134.00 additional claim fee for 1 independent claim over 3 and 3 total claims over 20. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application is also enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-0080. *A duplicate of this letter is enclosed.*

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$134.
 - \$54 for 3 total claims over 20.
 - \$80 for 1 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 974.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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